





# Columbus Academy Dress Code 2017-18

Columbus Academy believes in a dress code so as to suggest a certain level of formality during the school day. The dress code attempts to balance comfort and individuality with consideration for community expectations. The table below outlines the dress code requirements, noting the different expectations for each of the three divisions. The determination about whether a student's attire complies with both the letter and the spirit of the dress code will belong to the faculty and administration.

Attire	Lower School	Middle School	Upper School
<b><u>Polo Shirts/Turtlenecks</u></b> Solid color polo style shirts with collar, buttoned placket, short or full-length sleeves (no cap sleeves), and free of any <b>non-CA</b> lettering or logos. Shirts must remain tucked.	White, light blue, navy blue, light pink, maroon, or gray	White, blue, pink, maroon, gray, black, or purple	Any solid color
<b><u>Blouses/Shirts</u></b> Solid color oxford button down shirts or Peter Pan collared blouses free of any <b>non-CA</b> lettering or logos. Shirts must remain tucked.	White, light blue, navy blue, light pink, maroon, or gray	White, blue, pink, maroon, gray, black, or purple  Undershirts: Any solid color, free of design  Long sleeved shirts and/or undershirts may not be worn under short-sleeved shirts.	Any solid color  Undershirts: Any solid color, free of design  Long sleeved shirts and/or undershirts may not be worn under short-sleeved shirts.
<b><u>Pants</u></b> Solid color cotton, cotton-blend, or corduroy pants that are hemmed and have belt loops. Straight leg or boot cut only. No "skinny" or cargo style pants.	Khaki, stone, navy blue, black, or gray  No patch pockets.	Khaki, stone, navy blue, black, or gray  Pockets must be void of exterior stitching and zippers. No patch pockets.	Khaki, stone, navy blue, black, or gray
<b><u>Shorts</u></b> Solid color cotton or cotton-blend, knee-length shorts. No cargo style shorts.	Khaki, stone, navy blue, black, or gray  May be worn before Thanksgiving and after Spring Break	Khaki, stone, navy blue, black, or gray  May be worn before Thanksgiving and after Spring Break	Khaki, stone, navy blue, black, or gray  May be worn before Thanksgiving and after Spring Break
<b><u>Skirts</u></b> Skirts should be solid color.  <b>**See Dress Code Style Guide**</b>	<b>Skorts only...NO SKIRTS.</b>  Khaki, stone, navy blue, black, or gray. No plaid.  No knit fabric.	<b>Knee-length kick-pleat skirt only.</b>  Khaki, stone, navy blue, black, or gray. (Shorts must be worn under skirts.)  Tights/leggings must be worn under skirts from Thanksgiving to Spring Break.	<b>2 pleat kick-pleat skirt only.</b>  Khaki, stone, navy blue, black, or gray. (Shorts must be worn under skirts.)  Skirts length must be no shorter than 2 inches above the top of the knee.
<b><u>Jumpers</u></b> One piece, solid color, knee-length, pleated jumpers worn with a dress code shirt or blouse. <b>Shorts must be worn under jumpers.</b>	Khaki, navy blue, gray, or Academy plaid  Tights/leggings may be worn under jumpers Thanksgiving to Spring Break.	N/A	N/A
<b><u>Sweaters</u></b> Cardigans with buttons or a zipper or sweater vests: solid color crew neck or v-neck. <b>Must be free of hoods, and non-CA lettering and logos.</b>  <b>**See Dress Code Style Guide**</b>	White, light blue, navy blue, light pink, maroon, or gray	White, blue, pink, maroon, gray, black, or purple  Long sleeved shirts and/or undershirts may not be worn under short-sleeved sweaters.	Any solid color (waist to hip length)  Long sleeved shirts and/or undershirts may not be worn under short-sleeved sweaters.
<b><u>Fleece</u></b> Solid color full or half-zippered fleece free of hoods, and shoulder, breast, or elbow patches.	White, light blue, navy blue, light pink, maroon, or gray. <b>Half-zip only.</b> Must be free of <b>non-CA</b> lettering and logos	White, blue, pink, maroon, gray, black, or purple. Must be free of <b>non-CA</b> lettering and logos.	Any solid color. Must be free of <b>non-CA</b> lettering and logos.

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<b><u>CA Sweatshirts</u></b> Crew-neck and v-neck CA sweatshirts are permitted. <b>Must be free of hoods.</b>	Crew-neck and v-neck CA sweatshirts are permitted. <b>Must be free of hoods.</b>	Crew-neck and v-neck CA sweatshirts are permitted. <b>Must be free of hoods.</b>	Maroon, gray, black, or white OR any combination of these four colors.
<b><u>Shoes</u></b> Solid color black, brown, tan, gray, or navy blue with closed toe, closed heel, and a defined sole. No flowers or bows.	No boot, slipper, or athletic style shoes. No Crocs, canvas-top, or Sperry/Topsider-style shoes.	Shoes must be worn.  No slippers.  Sole/heel must not exceed 1.5 inches.	No boot, slipper, or athletic style shoes.  Sole/heel must not exceed 1.5 inches.
<b><u>Socks/Tights/Leggings</u></b> Socks/tights/leggings must be worn and visible at all times. Leggings must be free of lace and/or adornments.	White, navy blue, light pink, maroon, gray, or khaki  Ankle, crew, or knee socks only	Socks: Matching, any solid color  Tights/Leggings: White, navy blue, maroon, gray, black, or brown	Socks: Matching, any solid color  Tights: White, navy blue, maroon, gray, black, or brown
<b><u>Belts</u></b> Belts must be worn with all pants, shorts, and skirts with belt loops.	Belts must be worn with all pants, shorts, and skirts with belt loops. <b>Belts are not required for Pre-K or K</b>	Belts must be worn with all pants, shorts, and skirts with belt loops.	Belts must be worn with all pants, shorts, and skirts with belt loops.
<b><u>Jewelry and Accessories</u></b> Accessories should not detract from the dress code.	No hats indoors  Students may wear a watch and one necklace worn under the shirt. No chokers.  <b>Piercings:</b> small gold/silver studs  <b>Ribbons:</b> white, light/navy blue, light pink, maroon, gray, or Academy plaid  <b>Hair Accessories:</b> <u>simple</u> silver/gold or Academy colors. No feathers, flowers, etc.  <b>Nail polish is not permitted.</b>	No hats indoors  Students may wear a watch and one necklace worn under the shirt.  Students are not permitted to have visible tattoos or body piercings or to have extreme or unnatural hair color/style.  Hair must not cover eyes.	No hats indoors  Students are not permitted to have visible tattoos or body piercings or to have extreme or unnatural hair color/style.  Hair must not cover eyes.  Boys are expected to be clean-shaven.

Dress Code Style Guide and Additional Notes		
<b><u>Crewneck/V-neck Cardigan w/ Zipper or Buttons</u></b> 	<b><u>Kick-pleat skirt</u></b> 	<b><u>Crewneck/V-neck Cardigan</u></b> 
<b><u>Half-zip/button Cardigan</u></b> 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sweaters and fleece must be worn over dress code blouses, shirts, or turtlenecks. (US/MS)</li> <li>No coats or jackets may be worn in the theater. (US)</li> <li>Columbus Academy "letter jacket" may be worn in lieu of a sweater or fleece OR over a sweater or fleece. (US)</li> <li>Outdoor jackets, scarves, and CA windbreakers may not be worn during the school day. (US)</li> <li>For the purposes of dress code, the term "school day" means from the time students arrive at school until 3:10pm.</li> </ol>	<b><u>V-neck Sweater Vest</u></b> 